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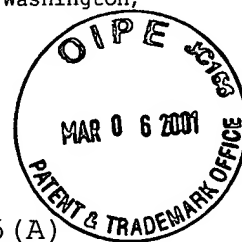
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**AMENDMENT IN REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 2, 2000,  
please amend the application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please cancel claims 16-24 and 31-33 without prejudice  
and substitute therefor the following new claims 34-43:

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